



"The reason so many people never get anywhere in life is because, when opportunity knocks, they are out in the back yard looking for four-leaf clovers."

— Walter Chrysler

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COL. PYOTR KLUMUK, RIGHT, AND CIVILIAN ENGINEER VITALY SEVASTYANOV
The Russians Were Launched Saturday On A Mission To Salyut 4 Space Station

2 Cosmonauts Head In Space For Station

MOSCOW (AP) — The Kremlin launched a two-man Soyuz spacecraft Saturday with hopes of getting a second cosmonaut crew aboard its Salyut 4 space station. Television viewers saw what appeared to be a perfect launch and heard that one of the spacemen had become the first journalist in orbit.

Air force Lt. Col. Pyotr Klimuk, 33, and civilian engineer Vitaly Sevastyanov, 40, both space veterans, were feeling well and the Soyuz 18 systems were "functioning normally," Tass said about one hour after launch.

The Soviet news agency claimed it was the first time a journalist has ever been in space. Sevastyanov doubles as a commentator on a popular science program on Soviet television. He flew one other space mission in 1970, but presumably he was not a television commentator at that time.

Klimuk is considered "an experienced pilot," Tass said, with command experience on Soyuz 13 in late 1973.

The news agency said Soyuz 18 was launched at 5:58 p.m. Moscow time 7:58 a.m. PDT— from the Baikonur space center, the secret launch site located in the barren desert of Kazakhstan, 1,400 miles southeast of Moscow.

For the Soviet practice, the announcement came unusually soon after the launch time, suggesting that space officials considered the flight to be headed for success.

The last manned space shot had to be aborted shortly after its April 5 launch because of what Soviet officials said was a rocket failure.

If this mission succeeds it will tend to erase some of the embarrassment of the failed mission and restore confidence in the Soviet space program less than two months before a scheduled linkup in space between Soviet and American spacemen.

It would also be the first time that the Soviets were able to man one of their expensive space laboratories more than once.

Manned laboratory missions have been given priority in the Soviet space program but have been plagued by mishaps.

The Soviets have proclaimed they are already pre-

pared for the Soyuz-Apollo flight July 15, and a top Soviet official said this mission "in no way" is meant as a dress rehearsal for the joint venture.

"On the contrary, the forth-

coming Soviet-U.S. experiment will be to give us an opportunity to extend the range of tasks which can be accomplished by the Soyuz spaceships," Vladimir Shata-

lov, head of cosmonaut training, told Tass.

The aborted mission last month was not even reported until two days after the launch. That Soyuz apparent-

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BY STATE SUPREME COURT

OC's Gasoline Lead Content Rule Voided

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The California Supreme Court has thrown out an Orange County rule requiring gradual reduction of lead in gasoline sold by retailers.

The court ruled Friday that only the statewide Air Resources Board has the power to regulate the amount of lead in motor vehicle gasoline and cannot delegate this authority to local air pollution control districts.

Under the 1971 Orange County rule, only traces of lead would have appeared in gasoline sold for cars within the district by July 1975.

The Western Oil and Gas Association, a trade association of oil firms, challenged the rule, contending the local district had authority to regulate emissions only from non-vehicular sources of pollution.

The unanimous decision written by Justice Stanley Mosk agreed and declared that the board authority of the state board to control air pollution included power to regulate gasoline content if the board found such regulations necessary and technologically feasible.

The decision overturned a

ruling by the state Court of Appeal, which had held the board did not have such power.

The court said that in light of practical considerations it concluded the General Assembly had intended to accord that power to the board.

"If we were to hold that the ARB has no power to regulate fuel content, we would be attributing to the Legislature an intention to deprive the agency of its only realistic means at its disposal to achieve the purposes of the act which created it," the court said.

A Few Polygamists Speak In Defense Of Lifestyle

EDITOR'S NOTE — Polygamy is illegal in most of the country, but is seldom prosecuted in the handful of states where it's practiced, and where state and county attorneys often find that prosecution is unpopular.

By DAVID BRISCOE

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) — The majority isolate themselves in small rural communities. Others live in metropolitan areas, their way of life known to their neighbors. And a few in recent months have dared to state in public that they practice polygamy.

They do so partly in the belief that Americans are be-

coming more tolerant of their lifestyle, although polygamy is illegal in most states.

State and federal officials estimate that there are 25,000 to 35,000 Americans practicing polygamy. Most are in Utah, Arizona, Idaho, Nevada and Montana, or across the borders in Mexico and Canada.

Prosecution of polygamists is rare now, but evidence of their existence is easy to gather. They list up to 25 children on tax returns.

Brothers and sisters a few months apart in age sit together in classrooms. A few live conspicuously in cities, among them a tall white haired Salt Lake City man with at least six wives and 40

children. He has several homes in the Salt Lake area.

The polygamist patriarch consented to an interview on the condition that his name not be used. He says a few years ago he would have been much less willing to speak out.

Additionally, several polygamists and their wives were interviewed recently on KUTV Television here. One appeared on radio and television talk shows to answer phoned-in questions.

But while showing their faces on television and talking openly with newsmen, they did not permit photographs or use of their real names. Some had been jailed in the past for polygamy.

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IN MAYAGUEZ OPERATION

Strength Of Cambodians Surprise, Sergeant Says

By ARNOLD ZEITLIN
CLARK AIR BASE, the Philippines (AP) — Intelligence reports gave U.S. Marines no clue to the fierce resistance they met when they stormed Koh Tang island in the Mayaguez operation, a U.S. Air Force sergeant said Saturday.

"According to intelligence reports, we should have been able to go in with our helicop-

ter, land, drop off the Marines, let them do their thing, and fly away," said S. Sgt. Ronald A. Gross, 30, of Baltimore, Md., from his hospital bed here.

Instead, one helicopter behind Gross' aircraft was blown out of the sky. His own craft was shot down. He was wounded four times in a crossfire trying to escape from the wreckage, and he

and a squad of Marines were stranded 12 hours in a ravine before another helicopter was able to rescue them.

"The Marines couldn't understand," said Gross about the men with him, "why they had to secure something that had no value."

Just before his CH53 helicopter carrying 20 Marines, (Please Turn To Page A6)

Refugee Aid Bills Enacted

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford signed a \$405 million bill Saturday to provide the funds to find homes, jobs, and a fresh start for more than 100,000 refugees from the war in Indochina.

Now that the measure has become law, contracts can be signed with nine private, voluntary agencies to assist in resettlement of the refugees. More than \$70 million is earmarked for this purpose.

Another \$65 million of the money will go to the Defense Department to cover its cost in airlifting the refugees while \$155 million is for food, medical care and other items and \$15 million will assist 20,000 refugees headed for third countries.

The first 500 refugees will arrive at the new Indiantown Gap, Pa., camp Wednesday, a State Department spokeswoman said, as the movement from Pacific centers to the U.S. resumes. As of Saturday there were 63,168 refugees in Pacific camps, 46,332 in U.S. resettlement camps and 19,467 had been processed and released.

The money will be available until June 30, 1976.

Ford actually signed two measures. One appropriates \$405 million in special assistance to the refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam. It provides \$305 million for the State Department to use in the relocation and resettlement of refugees. Also \$100 million will be made available through the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to use in aiding the refugees with health and job coun-

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Ship Member's Suit Charges Crew Jeopardy

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — One of the 39 Mayaguez crewmen taken captive by Cambodia earlier this month has filed a suit charging the ship's owner and captain with jeopardizing the crew in pursuit of extra profits.

Albert Minichiello, 62-year old assistant engineer who arrived home here Tuesday, filed the class action suit in San Francisco County Superior Court Friday on behalf of himself and the crew.

The suit claimed no specific dollar damages, as these would be fixed by the jury if the case were won in court.

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Reasons For Confusion Lurk Behind 'War Fog'

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
WASHINGTON (AP) — At the Pentagon they call it "the fog of war."

And they blame it for the confusion and inconsistencies in the story of the Mayaguez. They blame it for some of the questions that have not been answered and may never be answered.

A painstaking study of the three-day saga shows delay in getting word to the President, inconsistent reports on casualties and confusion over Cambodian intentions.

But the American military followed a hastily drawn rescue plan that retrieved the

The emergency message cracked over the radio: "Have been fired upon and boarded by Cambodian armed forces at 9 degrees, 48 minutes north, 102 degrees, 53 minutes east. Ship being towed to unknown Cambodian port."

The ship was the Mayaguez, a commonplace American freighter bound from Hong Kong to Thailand and then to Singapore. It had just been taken over by a rag-tag band of Cambodians and, as the Mayaguez moved under armed escort at half speed toward a Cambodian island, the ship's radio operator kept sending that distress message, apparently unnoticed by the Cambodian boards.

John Neal, an employee of the American-owned Delta Exploration Co. in Jakarta, Indonesia, heard the startling message on his office radio. After trying unsuccessfully to contact the ship, Neal notified the U.S. embassy in Jakarta.

Word then was flashed to Washington, arriving in the Pentagon's National Military Command Center 53 minutes after Delta's radio plucked it out of the air. The time was

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Ben Not Fit To Be Name, Judge Rules

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — A Superior Court judge has ruled that Abdullah Al-Badri Ben Alexander Brast cannot be a man's legal name because it will not fit in the space allotted for names in many government forms.

Bruce Alexander Brast, a former Mystic, Conn., technician who became a Moslem and moved to the Middle East, requested the legal name change, a move rarely refused by Superior Court.

But Judge William P. Barber of Putnam would not approve the request. Writing in the Connecticut Law Journal, Barber said "citizens should not have too many names or initials."

"Today's living, with the increase of population density and control, demands a name which conveniently may be used on standard forms and records," he wrote.

"This is necessary not only to facilitate commercial and employment transactions, but also to avoid burdening governmental protection, regulating and welfare agencies."

No person should "have so many names to satisfy his own whims," he concluded.

Weapons Of SA Youth Violence: Guns, A Knife, A Ball Bat

By JOHN and LYNN O'DELL
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On Friday, May 2, the UCI campus was jammed with high school youths attending a Cinco de Mayo celebration that featured a rock concert.

Before the first band finished playing, a gang scuffle broke out and 16-year-old Rubin Barela of Santa Ana

was stabbed in the chest and back.

It was the first violent incident that police have attributed to gang activity since January 1974, when Johnny "Potato" Valenzuela, 17, was stabbed to death while walking to school in Santa Ana.

The UCI incident was followed in rapid succession by four shootings, another stabbing, a beating and two bur-

glaries in which more than 50 handguns were stolen from the same business.

All of those incidents took place in Santa Ana and all involved Mexican-American youths.

Those in contact with the city's barrio youth say the violence is gang-related and has stemmed from the UCI stabbing. The situation, they say, is tense and they express

fear of a "real gang war" this summer.

Although police share the concern, they deny that a gang war is going on.

Whatever is going on, it started at UCI and quickly was followed by:

—The May 7 shooting of a 17-year-old boy at El Salvador Park;

—The baseball bat beating of a 14-year-old boy the next

day during a PE class at Spurgeon Intermediate School;

—The May 19 shooting of a 19-year-old man outside his Civic Center area home;

—The accidental shooting May 13 of a youth who wounded himself in the leg with one of the guns taken in the commercial burglaries;

—The May 15 shooting incident at First and Raitt streets

in which a bullet shattered the windshield of a moving car, spraying both occupants with shards of glass;

—The May 18 stabbing of a 16-year-old boy during a fight on West Second Street;

—The arrest of eight youths in connection with the incidents of violence and nine other youths in connection with weapons thefts.

Police maintain the incidents are a continuation of barrio tensions that have existed since 1950. Only three incidents are gang-related, they say, pointing to the UCI stabbing and the El Salvador Park and First Street shootings.

The rest are characterized (Please Turn To Page A17)



ALEXANDER JOSEPH WITH TWO OF HIS WIVES, CARMEN, LEFT, AND JUDY
The Ex-Marine Has Been Excommunicated From Mormon Church For Polygamy